Load Carriage-Related Equipment



Mission

Enable Soldiers to carry mission-essential equipment with minimal effect on mobility and survivability.

Description and Specifications

The All-Purpose Lightweight Individual Carrying Equipment (ALICE) - Fighting Load Belt and Suspenders have carriers for transporting basic loads of ammunition, fragmentation grenades, canteen, Entrenching Tool (E-Tool), first aid items, compass, and bayonet knife. The Compression Sack compresses clothing and spare items and reduces bulk up to 50 percent. The **E-Tool** is used for digging in the field and is "D" handled, collapsible, and used as a shovel. The **Mattock** provides a more efficient digging tool than the E-Tool. The Mattock has a 12-inch steel head with mattock and axe blades, and a wooden 24-inch handle. It cuts tree roots and limbs, breaks rock, and loosens ground more easily. The Equipment Belt Extender (EBE) is a 4-inch equipment belt and has triple layers of 2.25-inch wide webbing with loops at each end for threading buckles. The Field Case holds a first aid kit or compass and is attached to the equipment belt or suspenders with a slide keeper.

The **Combat Patrol Pack** is Cordura nylon with nylon webbing, has a polyurethane-coated nylon spin drift collar with closure cord, cord lock, drainage and spin-drift grommets, and plastic hardware that is used during assaults on obstacles and targets that do not require sustainment loads.

The **Medium Field Pack** carries the existence load with or without a frame and has a main pouch, draw cord closure, and three outside pockets and hangers to carry equipment.

The **Large Field Pack** provides an efficient and comfortable method of transporting loads and has an internal frame and a low profile shape.

The **Field Pack Cover** is a layer of fabric with an elastic cord sewn in the hem; it fits over a large or

medium field pack and is white, three-color desert camouflage, or four-color woodland camouflage. When removed, it can be used as a combat patrol pack. Field pack straps and the pack frame help carry a field pack or are used to carry water cans, ammunition cases, and other equipment.

The **40mm Grenade Vest** is used by Soldiers armed with the M203 or M79 grenade launcher and has permanently-attached, open-ended pockets that accommodate 14 high-explosive and four pyrotechnic rounds. It is worn with the individual equipment belt over body armor.

The **Combat Medic Vest (CMV)** is designed to carry 40 percent of the medic's load and provides efficient organization of medical equipment.

The **Individual Tactical Load-Bearing Vest** has permanently attached ammunition and grenade pockets and is compatible with the standard equipment belt.